

**MOBILE MANUFACTURED HOME ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

**JANUARY 3, 2019**

The Mobile Manufactured Home Advisory Council Legislative Committee convened on Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT, 06103 in the North Tower, Plaza Level, Hearing Room E.

Committee Members Present:	Bennett Pudlin Keith Jensen Dave Delohery  Mark Berkowitz Al Hricz	Attorney at Law, Acting Chairperson Mobile Home Park Owner, Co-Chairperson Mobile Home Park Tenant or Representative of Such Tenant Mobile Home Park Owner Senior Citizen
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DCP Council Staff: Robin Washbond, Administrative Assistant  
Leslie O'Brien, Legislative Program Director

Others Present: Raphael Podolsky, Connecticut Legal Services  
Nancy Palmisano, Connecticut Manufactured Housing Association  
Vicky Carrier, Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Section

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**Vicky Carrier, Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Section**

Vicky Carrier addressed the council regarding a mobile home park which has open complaints filed with both DCP and DPH for violations regarding water, septic, and tree damage. Discussion took place regarding the benefits of both agencies to working together toward the enforcement of mobile home park complaints in the future.

**1. Possible revisions to the abandonment statute**

Leslie O'Brien, Legislative Program Director, was in attendance to discuss this topic with the Council.

**2. Fannie Mae and long-term leases**

Bennett Pudlin reported that things have not proceeded any further with Fannie Mae as an avenue for financing for mobile manufactured homes. Keith Jensen informed the Council of other options available for financing through local banks.

Bennett Pudlin reiterated the issue with long-term leases and financing, stating that it would be ideal to permit owners to have 25-35 year leases, as this would allow for more affordable secondary financing. The Council will continue to discuss possible changes in statutes regarding long-term leases.

Bennett Pudlin reported that the Banking Industry Representative Council Member position remains open, and asked that Keith Jensen check into any leads for a potential candidate for this vacancy.

Bennett Pudlin informed the Council that a CHFA Representative Council Member has been appointed and will be attending the March Council meeting.

**3. Possible changes to DCP's enforcement powers, especially with regard to unlicensed parks**

Bennett Pudlin discussed the challenges of the enforcement of complaints when a park is unlicensed, and Council Members discussed their interest in proposing changes to the statutes in order to increase the amount of power DCP has for enforcement. Leslie O'Brien was in attendance and will touch base with Julianne Avallone and Paulette Annon, DCP Legal Division, to review the statutes and inquire about the status of mobile home complaints that are pending at this time.

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None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman  
License & Application Analyst  
(Recorded by Robin Washbond, Administrative Assistant)

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